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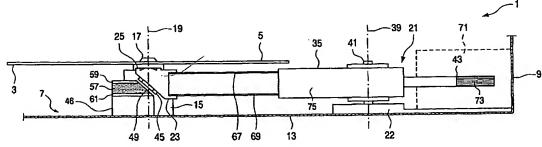
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(57) Abstract: An optical disc apparatus (1) for recording and/or reproducing information on/from an information surface (3) of a rotatable optical disc (5). The apparatus comprises a supporting assembly (7), a spindle motor (15), associated with the supporting assembly (7), having a spindle (17) with a spindle axis (19) for rotating the optical disc (5), an optical lens unit (21) associated with the supporting assembly (7) for scanning an information surface (3) of said optical disc (5) mounted on the spindle (17), and comprising a focusing lens assembly (23), a swing arm assembly (35) which is rotatable about a swing axis (39), comprising movable magnetic focusing means (45) provided near a free end (37) of the swing arm assembly (35), for driving the said focusing lens (29) along said focusing axis (31) so as to focus said optical beam (33) on the optical disc information surface (3), and stationary magnetic focusing means (46) magnetically cooperating through an intermediate air gap (48) with the movable focusing means (45). The stationary and movable magnetic focusing means (46, 45) are disposed and cooperate with the movable magnetic focusing means such that the force vector component (P) intersects a focusing lens area (27) bounded by a focusing lens periphery (29).